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TO:

**EACH SUPERVISOR** 

FROM:

P. MICHAEL FREEMAN

# HAITI EARTHQUAKE/LOS ANGELES COUNTY HEAVY RESCUE TASK FORCE ACTIVATION

As specified in our agreement with the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), Los Angeles California Task Force 2 has been mobilized for response to Haiti.

This response will send 72 personnel and specialized rescue equipment to assist with search and rescue. Specific time of departure has yet to be determined, but once deployed, they are anticipated to be out of County from 7 to 10 days.

Per the agreement, Los Angeles County Fire Department will be reimbursed for the full cost of deployment. Personnel deployed will be backfilled by other qualified County firefighting personnel to assure that we have full emergency capabilities here at home.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (323) 881-2401. I will be providing updates as more information becomes available.

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